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In re the Application of: Stanislav M. Snaidr	Atty. Docket No.: 000417.00019
Application No. 10/796,998	
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Filed: March 11, 2004	Examiner: Lopez, Carlos N.
For: CIGARETTE SIDESTREAM SMOKE AND FREE-BURN RATE CONTROL DEVICE	

AMENDMENT & REMARKS

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 11, 2007, which sets a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response in the above-identified application, Applicants are submitting a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and request that the Examiner amend the claims and reconsider the application in view of the following remarks. Authorization for payment of the fees for filing the RCE is filed with those documents. Applicants believe no additional fee is due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessary to enter the amendments and reconsider this application to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

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